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SUBJECT: DAVIGNON ON US-EC NINE MEETING

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1. IN MY CALL ON FOMMIN POLITICAL DIRECTOR DAVIGNON NOV 16 WE DISCUSSED THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATIONS ON US-EUROPEAN RELATIONS IN COPENHAGEN NOV 12-14, AND EC-9 DISCUSSIONS ON THE MIDDLE EAST (SEPTTEL).

2. DAVIGNON SAID THAT THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS HAD BEEN GENERALLY SATISFIED WITH THEIR CONSULTATIONS WITH ASSISTANT SECRET

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SECRETARY STOESEL. THEY HAD BEEN DISAPPOINTED, HOWEVER, THAT THE US COUNTERPROPOSAL TO THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN DRAFT STATEMENT HAD CONTAINED NOTHING NEW. HE SAID THT IN EFFECT THE US HAD SIMPLY OFFERED A RESTATEMENT OF ITS ORIGINAL PROPOSAL.

3. DAVIGNON NOTED THAT, NEVERTHELESS, THERE HAD BEEN PROGRESS AT THE MEETING. THIS WAS TRUE PARTICULARLY IN REGARD TO COOPERATION AND CONSULTATION. DAVIGNON SAID THAT THE OTHER POLITICAL DIRECTORS HAD ACCEPTED HIS PROPOSAL THAT THE EUROPEAN STATEMENT CONTAIN ONE GENERAL PARAGRAPH ON COOPERATION AND CONSULTATION RATHER THAN MENTIONING THE SAME SUBJECT IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT PARAGRAPHS. THUS PARAGRAPH 9 WOULD BE STRENGTHENED TO BECOME A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE ON COOPERATION AND CONSULTATION. ALTHOUGH CERTAIN OTHER PARAGRAPHS, SUCH AS THOSE ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS, MIGHT CONTAIN REFERENCES TO COOPERATION AND CONSULTATION, THE BASIC STATEMENT WOULD BE IN PARAGRAPH 9.

5. DAVIGNON SAID THAT THE DECLARATION WOULD INCLUDE A UNILATERAL STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT US-EUROPEAN RELATIONS ARE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL AND MUST BE PRESERVED, AND THAT CLOSE COOPERATION IS ESSENTIAL. HE PREDICTED THAT THE EC-9 WOULD BE ABLE TO WRAP UP THEIR DECLARATION BY WORKING ON THE FRINGES OF THE NATO MINISTERIAL DECEMBER 10-11. HE MADE CLEAR THAT AGREEMENT ON A NATO DECLARATION WOULD HAVE TO BE SIMULTANEOUS WITH AGREEMENT ON A U.S.-EC NINE DECLARATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A QTE TACIT AGREEMENT WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER UNQTE. STRAUSSZ-HUPE

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